

## PESTICIDE EPISODE CLOSING REPORT

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AMENDED? ☐ YES ☒ NO

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BRAND NAME OF PESTICIDE/ACTIVE INGREDIENT Zinc Phosphide (unknown brand)	REGISTRATION NUMBER FROM LABEL unknown	RESTRICTED USE? <input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN
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## SUMMARY OF FINDINGS (Continue on page 2, if necessary):

On October 10, 2014, San Luis Obispo County Agricultural Commissioner's Office (SLO CAC) office received a notification from California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) about the discovery of 9 dead Canadian Geese at a local vineyard. According to the CDFW, on October 4, 2014, a flock of 9 Canadian Geese flew into the vineyard and started to die shortly after landing at the pond. The vineyard owner is familiar with the flock of Canadian Geese because 26 Canadian Geese routinely visit the vineyard pond. The following day the vineyard owner contacted CDFW and informed them about the dead geese. The CDFW warden collected a sample of dead geese and submitted to CDFW laboratory for analysis. The necropsy results indicated the Canadian Geese were killed due to Zinc Phosphide exposure. The SLO CAC staff provided CDFW Warden with a list of Zinc Phosphide permit holders in the area. The pesticide products containing Zinc Phosphide are also labeled for home use and no permit from the County Agricultural Commissioner is required for purchase and use. Based on the necropsy analysis, the SLO CAC staff determined the Canadian Geese died due to Zinc Phosphide poisoning, but, they were unable to determine how the exposure occurred and who was responsible for the incident. No further action will be taken by the SLO CAC on this matter.

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SUMMARY OF FINDINGS, CONTINUED (Continue on supplemental page, if necessary):

ADMINISTRATIVE CIVIL PENALTY DETAILS (See manual):

NONE

OTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION:

☐ COMPLIANCE ACTION:☐ REFERRAL:☐ PENDING:

INVESTIGATION CONSIDERATIONS / IMPACTS / EFFECTS:

PUBLIC HEALTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
GROUND WATER	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A
WORKER HEALTH AND SAFETY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
ENDANGERED SPECIES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
PRODUCT REGISTRATION	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A
CANCELLED / SUSPENDED PESTICIDE	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES	<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> N/A

DPR ROUTING:

Andrews, Benson, Byerly, Coleman, Everett, Fadipe, Farnsworth, Francone, Frenkel, Guerra, Hughes, Jetter, Lee, Lopez, Marade, Motakef, Ogawa, Oriel, Richmond, Ross, Sarracino, Shattuck, Verder-Carlos, Yanga

AGENCY NOTIFICATION

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